

## Message Text

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ACTION MMO-02

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FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: AODE, IC  
SUBJECT: EVALUATION BY CHIEF OF MISSION OF PERSONNEL LEVELS

REF: (A) STATE 201122; (B) REYKJAVIK 0412

1. USIS IS THE ONLY OTHER USG AGENCY REPRESENTED AT POST AND ITS COUNTRY PLAN DOVETAILS PERFECTLY WITH MISSION OBJECTIVES. STAFFED BY TWO OFFICERS AND SEVEN ICELANDIC EMPLOYEES, ITS PROGRAMS ARE THE CUTTING EDGE FOR U.S. PENETRATION INTO SMALL BUT POLITICALLY INFLUENTIAL INTELLECTUAL, CULTURAL AND JOURNALISTIC COMMUNITIES IN THIS HIGHLY LITERATE SOCIETY. USIS PROGRAMS PROVIDE BALANCED VIEW OF U.S. SOCIETY TO THESE GROUPS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE TEND SEE U.S. IN DISTORTED, ONE-DIMENSIONAL PERSPECTIVE AS MILITARY SUPERPOWER REPRESENTED BY SIGNIFICANT U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE AT KEFLAVIK BASE. BECAUSE OF ITS ALREADY AUSTERE STAFFING PATTERN, ANY CUTS IN USIS WOULD REQUIRE PARALLEL PROGRAM REDUCTIONS TO DEFINITE DETRIMENT OF OUR OVERALL MISSION OBJECTIVES. DAMAGE WOULD BE PARTICULARLY SEVERE SINCE THERE ARE NO PRIVATE AMERICAN BUSINESS OR CULTURAL GROUPS IN ICELAND WHICH COULD FILL GAPS  
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## Message Attributes

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